

Appl. No. 09/838,486
Reply to Office Action of May 25, 2005

Remarks

By this Amendment, Claims 1, 3-10, 12 and 14-20 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 3-6, 9, 16 and 19 have been amended. Claims 2, 11 and 13 are canceled. Three additional independent claims have been added along with authorization to charge additional fees.

Claim Objections

The Patent Office objected to claims 6-10 and 16-20 under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim.

Claims 6, 9, 16 and 19 have been amended; consequently, the claim objection for claims 6-10 and 16-20 is now moot.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The Patent Office rejected claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Applicant respectfully traverses, however, claim 11 has been canceled; thus the rejection is now moot.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The Patent Office rejected Claims 1 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Lee, U.S. Patent No. 6,356,599 (Lee).

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Applicant respectfully traverses, however, claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 2, thus claim 1 is believed allowable. Claim 11 has been canceled, thus the rejection of claim 11 is now moot.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Patent Office stated 12, 14 and 15 were allowed and further indicated additional allowable subject matter.

Applicant thanks the Patent Office for the indication of allowed claims and allowable subject matter.

Conclusion

In light of the forgoing, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

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